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BUYING GREEN

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DoD Green Procurement Strategy

- Green Procurement Program (GPP) Purpose

  - Enhance and sustain mission readiness through cost effective acquisition that achieves compliance and reduces resource consumption and solid and hazardous waste generation.

- Green Procurement: Purchase of environmentally preferable products and services IAW one or more of established Federal “green” procurement preference programs
- GPP applies to all acquisitions

Establishment of the DoD GPP

- Under Secretary of Defense (Acting) Michael Wynne established GPP August 2004
- DoD Goal: 100% compliance with mandatory Federal GPP programs in all acquisition transactions
- Each organization initiating contracting actions or credit card purchases is responsible
- Environmental and procurement offices across DoD will support organizations

When to Consider GPP and Where to Find Products and Services

- Green Products or services **MUST** be considered as the *first choice* in **ALL** procurements
- Areas where green procurement is mandatory:
  - Office Products (including electronic equipment
  - Printing Services
  - Fleet maintenance products
  - Building construction, renovation and maintenance (including janitorial and landscape)
  - Traffic Control
  - Park and Recreation
  - Appliances
  - Lighting

When to Consider GPP and Where to Find Products and Services (cont'd)

- Web Sites to find green products and services:
  - Recovered Material (www.epa.gov/cpg)
  - Environmentally preferable (www.epa.gov/epp)
  - Energy efficient (www.eere.energy.gov/femp/procurement)
  - Biobased products (www.biobased.oce.usda.gov and www.ofee.gov/gp/bioprod.html)
  - Alternative fuels and fuel efficiency (www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels)

DoD Green Procurement Program

- DoD GPP follows an Environmental Management System (EMS) framework
  - Policy
  - Planning
  - Implementation and Operation
  - Checking and Corrective Action
  - Management Review

Roles and Responsibilities

- **Procurement Request Originator and Acquisition Program Managers Responsibilities**

  - Identify and document availability of green products and services and if requirements can be satisfied considering price, availability, and performance

  - Prior to submission to a contracting office or other source of supply ensure that relevant green procurement requirements are identified

  - Consult with contractual and environmental specialists

  - Follow established procedures for documenting exceptions

  - Apply life-cycle cost concepts to determine cost effectiveness

  - Provide oversight of contract execution to ensure green procurement requirements are addressed IAW contract terms

Roles and Responsibilities (cont'd)

- **Installation Procurement Offices Responsibilities**
  - Review requests from requiring activities
  - Provide guidance with respect to green products and services
  - Provide and document training for procurement personnel
  - Incorporate appropriate regulatory green procurement language in contract actions
  - Ensure contract actions meet green procurement requirements
  - Maintain contract files with green documentation
  - Complete DD Form 350, Individual Contracting Action Report
  - Include environmental considerations as selection criteria
  - Comply with procedures to review GPP effectiveness

Roles and Responsibilities (cont'd)

- **Installation Environmental Managers Responsibilities**

  - Implement awareness program to promote green procurement
  - Advise procurement request originators and contracting offices on acquisition strategies for green products and services
  - Provide current Federal listing of green products and services to request originators and contracting offices.
  - Provide information and tools supporting non-mandatory GPP initiatives
  - Provide green procurement consultation support to all personnel and organizations involved in the purchasing process
  - Provide GPP recommendations to management personnel
  - Assist personnel involved in the procurement process in reporting and tracking GPP performance

Where to Get Training On Green Procurement

- Green Procurement Seminar: (http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/gwswp/SolidWaste/affirmpro.htm)
- OPM's GoLearn e-learning center. (www.golearn.gov)
- DAU Contracting Courses: http://www.dau.mil
  - DAU Affirmative Procurement Continuous Learning Module
  - DAU Purchase Card Continuous Learning Module

Air Force Environmental Web University

U.S. Army Aberdeen Proving Ground Training Module

EPA Training Information

Federal Energy Management Program

- FEMA Lights On-Line Training Course

Additional Regulatory Guidance

- Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)
  - Subpart 23.2
  - Subpart 23.4
  - Subpart 23.7
- Public Law 107-171
- Section 6002 of the RCRA
- Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Title 40, Part 247